# Defense Intelligence Senior Executive Service (DISES) Position Vacancy Announcement For the

# **National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency**

#### Announcement No. HQ NGA DISES 2007-14

Opening Date: 12 June 2007 Closing Date: 11 July 2007

Position Title/Series: Deputy Director, InnoVision Directorate/Series IE-1301

Number of Vacancies: 1 Salary Range: \$111,676 -\$161,300

**Location:** National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA)

InnoVision Directorate Bethesda, Maryland

Area of Consideration: All Sources

**How to Apply:** TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS POSITION, FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS BELOW. To receive *FULL* consideration, mail or hand deliver an *original and four stapled copies* of your current application. You must identify the position vacancy announcement number. There is no application of preference, therefore, a resume, an Application for Federal Employment (SF-171); or an Application for Federal Employment (OF-612) may be used. **Certain information is required** to be submitted, e.g., full name, mailing address, phone numbers, e-mail address, social security number, country of citizenship, education and work experience, salary history, and highest federal civilian grade held. Permanently attach all components of each application package. Please do not place application materials inside report covers or folders, or submit documents not specifically requested, as they will not be used in the evaluation process. **Faxed or e-mailed applications cannot be accepted**.

Applicants will be rated and ranked by an agency Qualifications Review Board using only the information submitted for consideration. Applicants who do not separately address the Executive Core Qualifications and document their demonstrated experience, training, and/or education in support of the Technical Qualifications will be ineligible for further consideration. Failure to provide all the required information and copies could result in an ineligible rating. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

*Special note* - - Current DISES, Senior Executive Service (SES) and Senior Intelligence Service (SIS) employees are not required to submit documentation of your Executive Core Qualifications (ECQs) since you have already demonstrated your ECQs. However, you must submit documentation to address your competencies in the area under the "Technical Qualifications." (All other candidates must submit all required paperwork.)

Submit your application to: National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency HDE, Mail Stop D-49, Room 176
4600 Sangamore Road
Bethesda, MD 20816-5003

<u>Applications must be received by the closing date</u>. A postmark will <u>NOT</u> prevail. Applications will <u>NOT</u> be returned. Please reference announcement number shown above.

**Basic Duties and Responsibilities**: The Deputy Director, InnoVision Directorate, assists the Director of InnoVision, in providing leadership to three offices that exist to lead NGA into the future. Leads NGA's

efforts to address the future by developing comprehensive plans and technology initiatives based on analysis of intelligence trends, technology advances, and emerging customer and partner concepts. Leads NGA's transformation by linking and fully integrating needs, analysis, plans, advanced technologies, programs and resources. Provides oversight of strategic thrust areas identified by Director, NGA, while ensuring that Directorate initiatives support Intelligence Community, Department of Defense (DoD), and National Intelligence Strategy priorities as well. Collaborates with top level experts and consultants from other organizations in the Department of Defense, Intelligence Community, industry, academia, and foreign governments. Makes presentations, serves on committees and working groups. Participates in special projects, studies, and reviews. Oversees the professional development of Directorate personnel.

*Qualification Requirements:* Eligibility for this executive level position will be based upon a clear demonstration that the applicant has experience of the scope and quality sufficient to effectively carry out the assignments of the position. The successful applicants will be distinguished from other applicants by a review of the following Executive Core Qualifications (ECOs) and Technical Qualifications, Failure to meet a Qualification requirement will disqualify an applicant. Use an Activities/Context/Outcome **Approach** when describing your ECQs and keep in mind that reviewers will be looking for specific jobrelated activities and they will be interested in the context and outcomes of these activities. First, identify specific job-related activities (e.g., leadership, planning, acquiring a diverse workforce, budgeting) in which you participated and describe your actions. Next describe the context or environment within which you performed these actions. Mention other individuals or groups involved in the activity (e.g., client groups, members of Congress, individuals in other organizations). Lastly, state the outcomes of your actions. These indicate the quality and effectiveness of your performance and demonstrate your ability to achieve results, a key requirement of executive positions. Start your qualification statements with a brief summary of your managerial experience before individually addressing each of the five ECOs. Because "(6) Fundamental Competencies" are cross-cutting, they should be addressed over the course of the applicants ECQ narrative. It is not necessary to address them separately as long as the narrative, in its totality, shows mastery of these competencies on the whole.

ECOs and their key characteristics: (Include as separate attachment one page maximum per ECO)

# (1) Leading Change:

This core qualification involves the ability to bring about strategic change, both within and outside the organization, to meet organizational goals. Inherent to this ECQ is the ability to establish an organizational vision and to implement it in a continuously changing environment. Competencies include:

- *Creativity and Innovation* Develops new insights into situations; questions conventional approaches; encourages new ideas and innovations; designs and implements new or cutting edge programs/processes.
- External Awareness Understands and keeps up-to-date on local, national, and international policies and trends that affect the organization and shape stakeholders' views; is aware of the organization's impact on the external environment.
- *Flexibility* Is open to change and new information; rapidly adapts to new information, changing conditions, or unexpected obstacles.
- **Resilience** Deals effectively with pressure; remains optimistic and persistent, even under adversity. Recovers quickly from setbacks.
- *Strategic Thinking* Formulates objectives and priorities, and implements plans consistent with the long-term interests of the organization in a global environment. Capitalizes on opportunities and manages risks.
- *Vision* Takes a long-term view and builds a shared vision with others; acts as a catalyst for organizational change. Influences others to translate vision into action.

### (2) Leading People:

This core qualification involves the ability to lead people toward meeting the organization's vision, mission, and goals. Inherent to this ECQ is the ability to provide an inclusive workplace that fosters the

development of others, facilitates cooperation and teamwork, and supports constructive resolution of conflicts. Competencies include:

- *Conflict Management* Encourages creative tension and differences of opinions. Anticipates and takes steps to prevent counter-productive confrontations. Manages and resolves conflicts and disagreements in a constructive manner.
- Leveraging Diversity Fosters an inclusive workplace where diversity and individual differences are valued and leveraged to achieve the vision and mission of the organization.
- **Developing Others** Develops the ability of others to perform and contribute to the organization by providing ongoing feedback and by providing opportunities to learn through formal and informal methods.
- **Team Building** Inspires and fosters team commitment, spirit, pride, and trust. Facilitates cooperation and motivates team members to accomplish group goals.

#### (3) Results Driven:

This core qualification stresses involves the ability to meet organizational goals and customer expectations. Inherent to this ECQ is the ability to make decisions that produce high-quality results by applying technical knowledge, analyzing problems, and calculating risks. Competencies include:

- Accountability Holds self and others accountable for measurable high-quality, timely, and cost effective results. Determines objectives, sets priorities, and delegates work. Accepts responsibility for mistakes. Complies with established control systems and rules.
- *Customer Service* Anticipates and meets the needs of both internal and external customers. Delivers high-quality products and services; is committed to continuous improvement.
- *Decisiveness* Makes well-informed, effective, and timely decisions, even when data are limited or solutions produce unpleasant consequences; perceives the impact and implications of decisions.
- *Entrepreneurship* Positions the organization for future success by identifying new opportunities; builds the organization by developing or improving products or services. Takes calculated risks to accomplish organizational objectives.
- **Problem Solving** Identifies and analyzes problems; weighs relevance and accuracy of information; generates and evaluates alternative solutions; makes recommendations.
- *Technical Credibility* Understands and appropriately applies principles, procedures, requirements, regulations, and policies related to specialized expertise.

#### (4) Business Acumen:

This core qualification involves the ability to manage human, financial, material, and information resources strategically. Competencies include:

- *Financial Management* Understands the organization's financial processes. Prepares, justifies, and administers the program budget. Oversees procurement and contracting to achieve desired results. Monitors expenditures and uses cost-benefit thinking to set priorities.
- *Human Capital Management* Builds and manages workforce based on organizational goals, budget considerations, and staffing needs. Ensures that employees are appropriately recruited, selected, appraised, and rewarded; takes action to address performance problems. Manages a multi-sector workforce and a variety of work situations.
- **Technology Management** Keeps up-to-date on technological developments. Makes effective use of technology to achieve results. Ensures access to and security of technology systems.

#### (5) Building Coalitions:

This core qualification involves the ability to build coalitions internally and with other Federal agencies, State and local governments, nonprofit and private sector organizations, foreign governments, or international organizations to achieve common goals. Competencies include:

- *Partnering* Develops networks and builds alliances; collaborates across boundaries to build strategic relationships and achieve common goals.
- *Political Savvy* Identifies the internal and external politics that impact the work of the organization. Perceives organizational and political reality and acts accordingly.
- *Influencing/Negotiating* Persuades others; builds consensus through give and take; gains cooperation from others to obtain information and accomplish goals.

#### (6) Fundamental Competencies:

These competencies are the foundation for success in each of the Executive Core Qualifications. Competencies include:

- *Interpersonal Skills* Treats others with courtesy, sensitivity, and respect. Considers and responds appropriately to the needs and feelings of different people in different situations.
- Oral Communication Makes clear and convincing oral presentations. Listens effectively; clarifies information as needed.
- *Integrity/Honesty* Behaves in an honest, fair, and ethical manner. Shows consistency in words and actions. Models high standards of ethics.
- Written Communication Writes in a clear, concise, organized, and convincing manner for the intended audience.
- Continual Learning Assesses and recognizes own strengths and weaknesses; pursues self development.
- *Public Service Motivation* Shows a commitment to serve the public. Ensures that actions meet public needs; aligns organizational objectives and practices with public interests.

**Position Demands:** This executive level position requires experience in managing a large organization with diverse missions and partners. A broad understanding of research and development as it relates to Geospatial Intelligence with a working knowledge of the National System for Geospatial-Intelligence (NSG) is required. Must be able to make significant contributions to the advancement of research and development of the NSG mission. Educational background must include a bachelor's degree or higher. A graduate degree in a pertinent discipline is highly desirable. A doctorate degree in a pertinent field is desirable but not required

**Technical Qualifications (TQs):** (Include as separate attachments, two pages maximum per TQ.)

- 1. An in-depth knowledge of Geospatial Intelligence and it's applications to include knowledge of imagery, imagery intelligence, and geospatial information functions, operations and capabilities.
- 2. A broad understanding of the processes used to perform research and development to realize new Geospatial-Intelligence (GEOINT) capabilities within the operational NSG baseline. This includes an in-depth knowledge of community initiatives, opportunities, and processes to modernize capabilities.
- 3. A broad understanding of DoD, its policies, programs, organizations, including Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (USD(I)), the Joint Staff, the Unified Commands, Services and Defense Agencies.
- 4. A broad understanding of the Intelligence Community, key challenges, security threats, policies, programs, US interests and concerns, and roles of organizations to include the DNI and other Intelligence Agencies.

**Evaluation Methods:** Applicants will be evaluated based on job-related criteria identified under the Qualification Requirements by a screening panel of senior representatives with functional backgrounds relevant to this position. Interviews may be conducted.

Security Clearance and Access Level: This position requires access to classified Defense Department and Intelligence Community information. The individual selected must already possess, or be immediately eligible for, a TOP SECRET security clearance and access to Sensitive Compartmented Information. U.S. citizenship is required for the granting of a security clearance.

# Other Requirements:

- 1. Applicant selected for this position is subject to the completion of a one-year probationary period in conjunction with the appointment at the DISES level. (Applicants selected from outside NGA are subject to the completion of a two-year probationary period associated with their initial appointment to the Agency.)
- 2. This position is covered under the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (P.L. 95-521). Incumbent will be required to file an Executive Personnel Financial Disclosure Report (SF-278) with the NGA Office of General Counsel.
- 3. State the lowest pay you will accept and current base salary.
- 4. Provide the name, address, and telephone number of three references to substantiate your qualifications.
- 5. Employment is subject to requirements of the NGA Drug Testing Program.

#### Other Information:

- 1. Veteran's preference does not apply to the Senior Executive Service.
- Copies of this announcement and other general information may be obtained through the NGA Website <a href="www.nga.mil">www.nga.mil</a> or OPM's USAJobs, or by calling (301) 227-2531/2877 or DSN 287-2531/2877.
- 3. Applications will not be returned.
- 4. Use of postage paid Government agency envelopes to file job applications is a violation of Federal law and regulation.
- 5. Please identify how you became aware of this vacancy, e.g., opm.gov, The Washington Post, NGA Web Page, employee, etc.

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for appointment without regard to race, age, religion, color, national origin, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, handicap, lawful political affiliation, or any other non-merit factor. This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis.